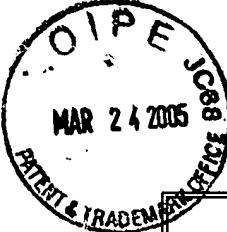


Ifw

MAR 24 2005



Atty. Docket No. MIC35 P-333

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this paper, together with all enclosures identified therein, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on the date indicated below.

March 21, 2005

Date

Deborah A. Witvoet
Deborah A. Witvoet

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Art Unit : 1743
 Applicant : Claire Hartmann-Thompson
 Appln. No. : 10/694,027
 Filing Date : October 27, 2003
 Confirmation No. : 3883
 For : FUNCTIONALIZED PARTICLES FOR COMPOSITE SENSORS

Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

A check of our files indicates that the above-identified application has been filed more than sixteen (16) months without having received an Office Action. Therefore, please advise us of the status of this application. This request is made to avoid any lack of diligence being attributed to the Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

Gunther J. Evanina
 Gunther J. Evanina, Registration No. 35 502
 Price, Heneveld, Cooper, DeWitt & Litton, LLP
 695 Kenmoor, S.E.
 Post Office Box 2567
 Grand Rapids, Michigan 49501
 (616) 949-9610

March 21, 2005

Date

GJE/daw